

MITIGATED DETERMINATION OF NONSIGNIFICANCE

Description of proposal: Regeneration harvest on 29 acres of approximately 886 Mbf of State Timber, Weldon Timber Sale, Application No. 30-078700 and Forest Practice Application No. 2703688.

Description of mitigation: The harvest will be a regeneration harvest and ground skidding will accomplish adequate scarification for replanting the site. The silvicultural goal is to establish a Douglas-fir stand and retain all the older remnants for wildlife use. The sale boundary was kept away from the Type Np draw on the west side, and back from the steep north-facing slope. A seasonal timing restriction and operational compliance will avoid damaging soil resources during wet periods. All skidtrails will be waterbarred upon completion. Approximately 7 trees per acre (TPA) will remain following harvest. Large diameter remnant Douglas-firs were retained. No live Douglas fir, ponderosa pine or western larch trees 28" DBH or larger and 160 years of age or older will be harvested as part of this proposal.

Proponent: State of Washington, Department of Natural Resources

Location of proposal, including street address, if any: Part of Section 28, Township 4 North, Range 11 East, W.M., Klickitat County, approximately 8 miles north of White Salmon WA located off of the Sanborn road.

Lead agency: State of Washington, Department of Natural Resources

The lead agency for this proposal has determined that it does not have a probable significant adverse impact on the environment. An environmental impact statement (EIS) is not required under RCW 43.21C.030(2)(c). This decision was made after review of a completed environmental checklist and other information on file with the lead agency. This information is available to the public on request.

[] There is no comment period for this Mitigated DNS.

[X] This MDNS is issued under 197-11-340(2); the lead agency will not act on this proposal for 14 days from August 22,200 Comments must be submitted by September 5, 2006

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There is no agency SEPA appeal.

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